## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH <u>A B S T R A C T</u>

Prison Department – Appeal Petition filed by Sri K.Venugopalrao, former Senior Assistant, District Jail, Adilabad – Appeal Petition partly allowed – Orders – Issued.

#### **HOME (PRISONS) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.MS.NO. 171

DATED:11-10-2012 Read the following:-

- 1. From the Director General and Inspector General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad, Memo No.EB3/ 436/ 2008-2, dated 12-09-2008
- 2. From the Enquiry Officer, Letter No.PACCh/S/2816/2009, dated 02-07-2009.
- 3. From the Director General and Inspector General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad, Proc. No.EB3/436/2008-2, dated 24-12-2010.
- 4. Sri K. Venugopalrao, formerly Senior Assistant, District Jail, Adilabad, Appeal Petition, dated 23-03-2011.
- 5. Orders in O.A.No.9538 of 2010, dated 11-08-2011 filed by Sri K.Venugopalrao formerly senior Assistant, District Jail, Adilabad,
- 6. From the Director General and Inspector General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad, Letter No.EB3/256/2011, dated 30-07-2011.

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## ORDER:

Whereas certain irregularities were found in District Jail, Adilabad in the maintenance of records, stores and payments, a special audit party was deputed to the District Jail, Adilabad by the Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad for making detailed audit in the matter. Accordingly, special audit team have submitted their report stating that there was a total failure in complying with financial Rules and Codal provisions as well as Government instructions and some irregularities and misappropriation of Government funds, Sri K. Venugopalrao, former Senior Assistant, District Jail, Adilabad and 3 others were placed under suspension. Subsequently, disciplinary proceedings were initiated duly framing the Articles of charges against Sri K. Venugopalrao, former Senior Assistant, District Jail, Adilabad. After due procedure viz., obtaining the explanation of the charged officer, examination of the report submitted by the Enquiry Officer and representation thereon of the charged officer, the Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad, vide reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above issued orders imposing the penalty of "Dismissal from Service" with immediate effect for the charges held proved. On an appeal to Government by the delinquent-I Sri K.Dhana Raju, formerly Superintendent, District Jail, Adilabad, the punishment of dismissal from service was modified to that of reduction in time scale of pay by 2 stages permanently with cumulative effect vide G.O.Ms.No.180, Home (Prisons) Department, dated 11-07-2011.

2. Aggrieved by the dismissal orders issued vide reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, Sri K.Venugopalrao, former Senior Assistant, District Jail, Adilabad, has filed an Appeal Petition to the Government, under Rule 33 of the A.P. Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991 and requested the Government to set-aside the penalty of "Dismissal" orders issued by the Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad, as he was experiencing lot of financial and mental hardships.

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- 3. Sri K.Venugopalrao, former Senior Assistant, District Jail, Adilabad, has also filed O.A.No.9538 of 2010 in the A.P.A.T., challenging the orders issued vide reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, imposing the penalty of Dismissal from Service which was withdrawn by him. The APAT in its orders in O.A.No.9538 of 2010 dated 11-08-2011 dismissed the O.A. as withdrawn.
- 4. Government have examined the matter carefully in consultation with the Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad and taking into consideration the contents of the representation of the appellant the modification orders issued in favour of Sri K.Dhanaraju who was the main delinquent hereby decide to modify the penalty of dismissal from service issued by the Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad vide proceedings 3<sup>rd</sup> read above.
- 5. Accordingly, the Government in exercise of powers conferred under Rule 33 of the A.P.Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991 hereby allow the appeal petition partly, duly modifying the penalty of dismissal from service imposed by the disciplinary authority i.e. Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad of Sri K.Venugopalrao, former Senior Assistant to that of "Reduction in time Scale of pay by 2 stages for 2 years with cumulative effect on future increments and pension' and to treat the period of suspension and out of employment as not on duty and also to recover actual loss if any sustained to Government from the individual duly issuing show cause notices".
- 6. Further, the individual is informed that he should be careful in the discharge of his duties in future and if any lapses/irregularities or any other misconduct, etc., is ever committed again, it will be viewed seriously and he will be liable for stringent action.
- 7. The Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad, shall take necessary action accordingly, in the matter
- 8. The following original records received from the Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad, vide reference 6<sup>th</sup> read above are returned herewith. He is requested to acknowledge receipt of the same.

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## (BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

# M.CHAYA RATAN SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad. (with original records)

#### Copy to:

The individual concerned, through the Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Hyderabad.

The Inspector General of Prisons, Hyderabad.

The Deputy Inspector General of Prisons (TR), Hyderabad.

The Deputy Inspector General of Prisons (CAR), Rajahmundry.

The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, A.P., Hyderabad. SF/SCs.

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